

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

JENIFER ESHOM,

Plaintiff,

v.

KING COUNTY, a Washington
municipal corporation,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 23-cv-28

ORDER SETTING TRIAL DATES AND
CONSOLIDATED RELATED DATES

JOSEPH ESHOM,

Plaintiff,

v.

KING COUNTY, a Washington
municipal corporation,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 24-cv-7

On January 19, 2024, the parties in *Jenifer Eshom v. King County*, No. 23-cv-28 and *Joseph Eshom v. King County*, No. 24-cv-7 stipulated to consolidating their cases for discovery purposes only. The Court granted the parties' request and

entered the consolidation Order in *Jenifer Eshom*'s case, No. 23-cv-28. On February 28, 2024, the parties submitted substantially similar joint status reports in each case, requesting separate trial dates anytime after April 2025, a joint discovery schedule, and a dual caption. *See* Dkt. No. 27, *Jenifer Eshom v. King County*, No. 23-cv-28; Dkt. No. 12, *Joseph Eshom v. King County*, No. 24-cv-7. On May 7, 2024, the parties notified the Court that trial dates in April 2025 would no longer work due to scheduling conflicts, requesting instead that the trials be set for June or September 2025.

Having reviewed the parties' Joint Status Report and Discovery Plan, as well as other communications from the parties, the Court sets the following trial and related dates in *Joseph Eshom v. King County*, No. 24-cv-7:

SCHEDULING DATES

EVENT	DATE
JURY TRIAL begins in No. 24-cv-27	September 8, 2025
Length of trial	8-10 days
Deadline for filing amended pleadings	November 11, 2024
Disclosure of expert testimony under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)	November 11, 2024
Disclosure of rebuttal expert testimony under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)	within 30 days after the other party's expert disclosure
All motions related to discovery must be filed by (see LCR 7(d))	December 11, 2024
Discovery completed by	January 10, 2025
All dispositive motions and motions challenging	

EVENT	DATE
expert witness testimony (i.e., <i>Daubert</i> motions) must be filed by (<i>see</i> LCR 7(d))	February 9, 2025
Settlement conference under LCR 39.1(c)(2) must be held no later than	July 10, 2025
All motions in limine must be filed by (<i>see</i> LCR 7(d))	July 30, 2025
Deposition Designations must be submitted to the Court by (<i>see</i> LCR 32(e))	August 18, 2025
Agreed pretrial order due	August 18, 2025
Trial briefs, proposed voir dire questions, and proposed jury instructions must be filed by	August 25, 2025
Pretrial conference	September 1, 2025

The Local Civil Rules set all other deadlines. Except as provided for in Judge Whitehead's Chambers Procedures, the dates listed in this order and set by the Local Civil Rules are firm and cannot be changed by agreement between the parties. The Court may alter the dispositive motions deadline and the dates that follow, but only if good cause is shown. Failure to complete discovery within the time allowed does not establish good cause. If any of the dates identified in this Order or the Local Civil Rules fall on a weekend or federal holiday, the act or event must be performed on the next business day.

If the scheduled trial date creates an irreconcilable conflict, counsel must email Grant Cogswell, Courtroom Deputy, at grant_cogswell@wawd.uscourts.gov within 10 days of the date of this Order, explaining the exact nature of the conflict. Failure to do so will be deemed a waiver. Counsel must be prepared to begin trial on

1 the date scheduled but should understand that trial may have to await the
2 completion of other cases.

3 **PROCEDURAL MATTERS**

4 All counsel and pro se parties must be familiar with and follow the District's
5 Local Rules, Electronic Filing Procedures for Civil and Criminal Cases, and General
6 Orders, which can be found on the Court's website at
7 <https://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/>. All counsel and pro se parties must also follow
8 Judge Whitehead's Chambers Procedures, which are available at
9 <https://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/judges/whitehead-procedures>.

10 **SETTLEMENT**

11 If this case settles, counsel must notify Mr. Cogswell as soon as possible at
12 grant_cogswell@wawd.uscourts.gov. An attorney who fails to give prompt notice of
13 settlement may be subject to sanctions or discipline under LCR 11(b).

14 Dated this 24th day of May, 2024.

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16 Jamal N. Whitehead
17 United States District Judge
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